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BACKGROUND - LINEUPS IN GREECE

- I. Premier Karamanlis' new party (National Radical Union - ERE) is made up of the bulk of the late Premier Papagos' Greek Rally, plus some former Liberal Party members.
 - A. Only important ex-Rally members not in Karamanlis' camp are former Minister of Coordination Markezinis (with own party - KTP) and former Foreign Minister Stephanopoulos (also with his own party).
- II. Opposition "Democratic Union", a "popular front" outfit, was promoted by the Communist-controlled EDA (United Democratic Left) and brought into being on 17 Jan '56. Membership, in addition to EDA, includes:
 - A. Populist Party - the traditional rightist party

- B. Papandreou's Liberal Party - the traditional "center" party.
- C. Venizelos' Liberal Democratic Union (FDE) - new "center" party, result of split within Liberal Party.
- D. National Progressive Union of the Center (EPEK) - party formed in '50, in Gov't coalition before Papagos.
- E. Agrarian Party - another "centrist" group.
- F. Democratic Party of Working People (DKEL) - "fellow-travelling" party, which fronted for EDA in '54 municipal elections, when Rally took setback.

III. Parliamentary lineup (before 11 Jan '56
dissolution) was as follows:

A. Greek Rally	202
B. Markezinis' KTP	28
C. Venizelos' FDE	25
D. Papandreou's Liberal Party	19
E. EPHK	10
F. DKEL	5
G. Agrarian Party	4
H. Independents	5

(NOTE - two seats were vacant)